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This is the cry that the "business interests" have sent ringing over the land these last few months since the people first began to talk of applying the recall to the judiciary.

William Howard Taft vetoed the Arizona statehood bill, because that bill embodied the judicial recall.

Here is a story of one of the judges "who can do no wrong."

Several months ago, Greeley Whitford, judge of the district court of Denver, Colorado, sent 17 miners to jail for contempt of court.

The contempt lay in the alleged violation of an injunction. Whitford had granted the coal companies of northern Colorado against striking miners.

Whitford refused the accused miners a jury trial, and sent them, one and all, to jail.

William Crawford was one of these miners.

Yesterday a message was carried to Judge Greeley Whitford.

It was that, William Crawford's aged mother was dying, and that from her deathbed she was crying piteously for a last sight of her only boy.

Humanity demanded that Crawford be released—if only long enough to see his mother for the last time.

Whitford sent for Crawford.

"Your mother is dying," he told the miner.

"Apologize to me for having

violated my injunction, and I shall let you go free to see her."

"I never violated your injunction, Judge Whitford," said Crawford.

"Very well," said Whitford, and turning to court attaches, he ordered Crawford taken back to jail.

The very interests which Greeley Whitford serves so faithfully from the bench of the people, realized the folly of such an act, and themselves pleaded with the judge to release Crawford.

And the judge who had not been able to hear the voice of humanity, heard them, and the miner was released until December 2.

Still, "the judges can do no wrong."

Unwritten Law Expected To Free Texas Woman

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 14.—

Another drama of the unwritten law was unfolded here today, when the trial of Mrs. Lucie Matheson, charged with the murder of her husband at Abilene, was begun.

Matheson was shot from through a window of a negress' house. Mrs. Matheson today entered a plea of "not guilty." She declares that the shooting was accidental. The attitude of her counsel, however, indicated that the "unwritten law" will be the real defense. It has never failed to secure an acquittal from a Texas jury.